Rivers: 3 siblings perish in auto crash

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AS Christians celebrated yesterday, Choba community in Rivers State has been thrown into mourning as three siblings in the community perished in a ghastly motor accident on Christmas Eve.

Five persons in the vehicle also escaped death but sustained severe injuries in the mishap, which occurred between Imo and Rivers State.

The victims died while

returning from a marriage ceremony in Mbaise, Imo State, when their vehicle rammed into a trailer, killing two sisters and their brother and injuring others. The incidents, had

thrown the community into a sad mood as most families abandoned the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ to mourn the tragedy.

Saturday Champion gathered that the accident was as a result of overspeeding by the driver of the vehicle who ran into the

parked trailer.

The exact identities of the victims were however, not disclosed even as relations and friends besieged their homes for condolence.

Choba community is located near the University of Port Harcourt in Obio/Akpor, Rivers State.

The bodies of the deceased, our correspondent gathered, have been deposited in a mortuary even as their burial arrangement is yet to be disclosed.